

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the application as indicated hereafter.

In the Claims

Please substitute the following clean copy text for the pending claims of the same number.

3. (Once Amended) An integrated circuit according to claim 1 wherein said alignment link comprises said common area of integrated circuit real estate.

4. (Once Amended) An integrated circuit according to claim 1 wherein said first port is located in said first area of integrated circuit real estate.

5. (Once Amended) An integrated circuit according to claim 1 wherein said second port is located in said second area of integrated circuit real estate.